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1. SUMMARY: DURING CCD'S JULY 12 INFORMAL MEETING ON ITS
PROGRAM OF WORK, DISCUSSION CENTERED ON THE UK'S PROPOSAL
FOR AN EXPERTS GROUP ON SPECIFIED TECHNICAL ASPECTS OF A
CW BAN, AND ON SWEDEN'S PROPOSAL TO CONSIDER THE QUESTION
OF ESTABLISHMENT OF CW AND CTB NEGOTIATING WORKING GROUPS
AGAIN AT THE END OF JULY. END SUMMARY

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2. AT REQUEST OF NETHERLANDS REP (VAN DER KLAAUW), UK
REP (ASHE) GAVE SLIGHT ELABORATION ON BRITISH IDEAS
FOR A CW EXPERTS GROUP TO CONSIDER DEFINITIONS OF CW AGENTS
AND PROBLEMS ASSOCIATED WITH DESTRUCTION OF CW STOCKPILES,
AS MENTIONED IN UK PLENARY STATEMENT (PARA 10 REFTEL).
THE EXPERTS GROUP WOULD HOLD ITS FIRST SERIES OF MEETINGS,
THE UK REP SAID, DURING THE WEEK OF AUGUST 1-5; WHETHER

PARTICIPATION WOULD BE LIMITED TO TECHNICAL EXPERTS, OR WOULD INCLUDE MEMBERS OF OVERALL CCD DELEGATIONS, IS A MATTER TO BE DECIDED. THE UK REP LATER ADDED THAT ESTABLISHING SUCH AN EXPERTS GROUP WOULD PERMIT CONVENING A CW NEGOTIATING WORKING GROUP DURING THE WEEK OF AUGUST 20-26, IN ORDER TO DISCUSS ITS OWN ORGANIZATION AND TERMS OF REFERENCE, AND THAT CCD'S OWN INFORMAL MEETINGS ON CW, SCHEDULED FOR THE SAME WEEK, WOULD PROCEED IN PARALLEL. (COMMENT: AFTER THE MEETING A MEMBER OF THE BRITISH DEL CONFIRMED THAT THE UK REP HAD BEEN DRAFTING HIS SCRIPT AS THE PLAY UNFOLDED.)

3. SWEDISH REP (HAMILTON) PROPOSED THAT CCD SCHEDULE ONE OR MORE INFORMAL MEETINGS DURING THE WEEK OF JULY 25-29 TO DISCUSS CREATION OF NEGOTIATING WORKING GROUPS. NETHERLANDS REP (VAN DER KLAUW) SUPPORTED SWEDISH PROPOSAL. MEXICO REP (GARCIA ROBLES) INDICATED HE THOUGHT THE NON-ALIGNED GROUP WOULD SUPPORT THE SWEDISH PROPOSAL AS WELL, PROVIDED THAT THE UK PROPOSAL TO HAVE A CW EXPERTS GROUP MEET DURING AUGUST 1-5 IS APPROVED, AND PROVIDED THAT CCD PROCEDURES COULD BE RAISED DURING THE JULY 25-29 INFORMAL MEETINGS ON THE CREATION OF AD HOC WORKING GROUPS. OTHERWISE, THE MEXICAN REP SAID, IT WILL BE NECESSARY TO HOLD INFORMAL MEETINGS ON CCD PROCEDURES DURING THE WEEK OF AUGUST 1-5.

4. US REP (FISHER) STATED HE PLANS TO SET FORTH US VIEWS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ON THE CREATION OF NEGOTIATING WORKING GROUPS DURING THE NEXT INFORMAL MEETING OF THE CURRENT SERIES. CCD'S DECISION OF APRIL 29, TOGETHER WITH THE REMARKS OF THE JAPANESE REP AT THAT TIME, MAKE IT CLEAR THAT CCD MAY DISCUSS THE CREATION OF NEGOTIATING WORKING GROUPS WHENEVER IT WISHES, AND NEED NOT RESTRICT ITSELF TO A SPECIFIC PERIOD. ACCORDINGLY, THE US REP SAID, HE COULD NOT OBJECT TO CCD DISCUSSING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF NEGOTIATING WORKING GROUPS AT THE END OF JULY, BUT THERE WAS NO MAGIC IN THE END OF JULY DATE AND IN FACT THE SUBJECT COULD BE DISCUSSED AT ANY TIME.

5. NEXT INFORMAL MEETING ON CCD'S PROGRAM OF WORK WAS SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY, JULY 14, IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE PLENARY SESSION. VANDEN HEUVEL

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